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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

MACHE ET AL.

Examiner

Yean-Hsi Chang

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 04 April 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 and 7-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 3 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2,4 and 7-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 13 November 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 2/13/06 has been entered.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. Claims 1-2, 4 and 14-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hong (US 5,987,211).

Hong teaches a display (10, fig. 1) for a computer system (not shown) comprising: a display screen (11 fig. 1) and a support (20) for supporting the display screen, the support comprising a base (25) and a column (21) attached to the base, the

column being provided with a screen support part (upper part) and with at least one connector (on 23 not labeled) to which a module (22) of the computer system may be connected and being located at least partly behind the display screen (shown in fig. 1A), and wherein the column comprises a front face that faces the display screen, a back face that faces away from the display screen, and opposed side faces provided between the front face and the back face (shown in figs. 2 and 3) and wherein a plurality of connectors (for example 23a, and 23b) are located on at least one of the opposed side faces (claims 1-2 and 14-15); and wherein the at least one connector is connected to an output connection for communication with a processor unit (see col. 3, lines 9-15, and 61-66) of the computer system (claim 4).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. Claims 7-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hong in view of Moscovitch (US 2003/0231460 A1).

Hong discloses the claimed invention except a power supply unit being located in a base module and a pair of rearwardly extending arms interconnected by a forward part.

Moscovitch teaches a display (702, fig. 18) for a computer system (fig. 18) comprising: a power supply unit (not shown) located in a base module (712, fig. 18, also see [0046]) adjacent a column (714) of the base (claim 7); wherein the base comprises a pair of rearwardly extending arms (on both sides of 712, fig. 18) interconnected by a forward part (lower portion of 16, fig. 1), and wherein the column is connected to the forward part (shown in fig. 18) (claim 8); wherein a power supply module is adapted to be received in between the rearwardly extending arms (see [0046]) (claim 9); and wherein the power supply module is adapted to supply power to the display screen and any modules connected to the support (inherent feature of a power supply) (claim 10).

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the device of Hong with the power supply and the base taught by Moscovitch for closely positioning power supply unit and the display unit.

6. Claims 11-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hong in view of Moscovitch et al. (US 6,343,006 B1) (hereafter Moscovitch'006).

Hong discloses the claimed invention except the column being foldably connected to the base, and wherein the column is provided with a screen support part comprising a sliding connection.

Moscovitch'006 teaches a display (12, fig. 1) for a computer system comprising: a display screen (16) and a support (92+96) for supporting the display screen, the support comprising a base (92) and a column (96) being foldably connected to the base (best shown in figs. 20 and 24) (claim 11); the column being provided with a screen

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support part (98), wherein the screen support part comprises a first rotating part (between 96 and 98, fig. 18, not labeled) located adjacent the column and a second pivotal connection (30) in the vicinity of the screen whereby the support and display screen support part may be folded into a collapsed configuration (shown in fig. 19A) (claim 12); and wherein the column is provided with a screen support part (98) comprising a sliding connection (between 98 and 96) whereby the display screen is vertically slideable relative to the column (claim 13).

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the device of Hong with the display screen support taught by Moscovitch'006 for more conveniently positioning the display screen.

Allowable Subject Matter

7. Claim 3 is allowed.

8. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: The best prior art of record, Hong (US 5,987,211), Wang et al. (US 6,366,453 B1), Moscovitch (US 2003/0231460 A1), and Moscovitch et al. (US 6,343,006 B1), taken alone or in combination, fails to teach or fairly suggest a display comprising at least a support comprising a column attached to a base, the column comprising opposite side faces, wherein a plurality of connectors are located on each opposite side face as set forth in claim 3.

Response to Arguments

9. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1 and 15 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Correspondence

10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yean-Hsi Chang whose telephone number is (571) 272-2038. The examiner can normally be reached on 07:30 - 16:00, Monday through Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Art Unit phone number is (571) 272-2800, ext. 35. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-8558.

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